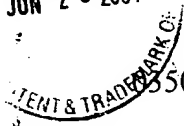


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the enclosed European Office Action which is dated April 28, 2004.

All of the documents cited in the European Action were been cited in the Information Disclosure Statement dated October 2, 2003. Accordingly, no references accompany this Information Disclosure Statement.

This application has received a Notice Of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).

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The Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention.

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Respectfully submitted,

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